

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A rudder position indicator apparatus comprising:  
a cam coupled to a steering linkage bar of a watercraft; and  
a switch coupled to a fixed portion of the watercraft, wherein the cam activates the switch when a rudder of the watercraft is in a centered position; and  
an indicator in electrical communication with the switch to indicate to an operator of the watercraft when the rudder of the watercraft is in a centered position.
2. (Original) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cam is coupled to the steering linkage bar via a clamp hose.
3. (Original) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the switch is coupled to a fixed portion of the watercraft via one or more brackets.
4. (Original) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the switch is a micro switch.
5. (Original) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the switch

is electrically connected to an indicator light located on a dash of the watercraft.

6. (Currently amended) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of brackets to secure the switch to the fixed portion of the watercraft, wherein the brackets are adjustable to adjust a sensitivity position of the switch.

7. (Original) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cam includes sloped sidewalls and a substantially flat top portion.

8. (Currently amended) A rudder position indicator apparatus comprising:  
a steering linkage bar of a watercraft;  
a cam secured to ~~a~~ the steering linkage bar ~~of~~ of a watercraft; and  
means for contacting the cam when a rudder of the watercraft is centered;  
and  
means for indicating when the rudder of the watercraft is centered.

9. (Original) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 8, wherein the means for indicating includes a light located on a dash of the watercraft.

10. (Previously presented) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cam includes two sidewalls joined by a top portion, wherein at least one of the sidewalls

Appl. No. 10/802,177  
Amdt. dated June 21, 2005  
Reply to Office action of March 24, 2005

is substantially sloped.

11. (Previously presented) The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cam has a substantially D-shaped cross-section.